

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. (currently amended) ~~An A disk drive including an~~ airflow shroud for a moving-slider-type microactuator ~~coupled with a flexure and a suspension load beam~~, comprising:
~~a first end of a flexure directly coupled with a suspension load beam;~~
~~a second end of said flexure directly coupled with a slider-type~~
~~microactuator;~~
~~a slider directly coupled with said slider-type microactuator; and~~
~~an airflow shroud coupled with said flexure and with said suspension load~~
~~beam such that said flexure is disposed between said airflow shroud and said~~
~~suspension load beam, said shroud comprising:~~
~~a frame portion having forming an opening suitable for exposing a~~
~~protruding portion of a ~~said~~ slider for a disk drive, the frame portion~~
~~surrounding a ~~said~~ moving-slider-type microactuator coupled to the slider,~~
~~said frame portion not contacting said suspension load beam; and~~
~~an attachment portion adapted for attachment with said suspension~~
~~load beam of a disk drive wherein said frame portion is configured to not~~
~~surround said suspension load beam.~~
2. (currently amended) The ~~airflow shroud disk drive~~ according to claim 1, wherein the frame portion has side portions forming the opening and a tapered shape between each side portion and the opening.
3. (currently amended) The ~~airflow shroud disk drive~~ according to claim 1, wherein between about 50 to 100 micrometers of the slider protrude through the opening of the frame portion.

4-8 (cancelled)